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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 5 (currently amended):

A flexible drinking straw that accompany ~~for~~ packed fruit juices, milks, coffees etc. which is continuously bent until its use in order to take up less space, comprising:

a corrugated zone,

said corrugated zone comprises more than ten re-entrant overlapping folds,

further said corrugated zone comprises expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds and contracted said re-entrant overlapping folds interspersed among the expanded ones.

Claim 6 (previously added):

The flexible drinking straw **according to claim 5** wherein the expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds are not deformed by force.

Claim 7 (previously added):

The flexible drinking straw **according to claim 5** wherein the contracted said re-entrant overlapping folds interspersed in such a way that not many consecutive expanded said re-entrant

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overlapping folds exist without interference of one or more contracted ones.

Claim 8 (previously added):

The flexible drinking straw **according to claim 7** wherein the expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds are not deformed by force.

Claim 9 (currently amended):

A flexible drinking straw that accompany ~~for~~ packed fruit juices, milks, coffees etc. which is continuously bent until its use in order to take up less space, comprising:
a corrugated zone,
said corrugated zone comprises more than ten re-entrant overlapping folds,
further a number of the first said re-entrant overlapping folds of said corrugated zone are contracted and all the others are expanded, whereby said straw, after its straightening, may bend to all directions.

Claim 10 (previously added):

The flexible drinking straw **according to claim 9** wherein the expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds are not deformed by force.

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Claim 11 (currently amended):

A flexible drinking straw that accompany ~~for~~ packed fruit juices, milks, coffees etc. which is continuously bent until its use in order to take up less space, comprising:

a corrugated zone,

said corrugated zone comprises more than ten re-entrant overlapping folds,

further said corrugated zone comprises expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds and contracted said re-entrant overlapping folds interspersed among the expanded ones, furthermore a number of the first said re-entrant overlapping folds of said corrugated zone are contracted.

Claim 12 (previously added):

The flexible drinking straw **according to claim 11** wherein the expanded re-entrant overlapping folds are not deformed by force.

Claim 13 (previously added):

The flexible drinking straw **according to claim 11** wherein the contracted said re-entrant overlapping folds interspersed in such a way that not many consecutive expanded said folds exist without interference of one or more contracted ones.

Claim 14 (previously added):

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The flexible drinking straw **according to claim 13** wherein the expanded said re-entrant overlapping folds are not deformed by force.